

THE PACIFIC HURRICANE.

ITS DEADLY WORK WAS NOT CONFINED TO SAMOA.

MANY LIVES LOST AND MUCH DESTRUCTION DONE BY IT AT TAHITI AND TONGA.

ISLANDS-RELIEF FOR GERMAN VICTIMS OF THE STORM.

Auckland, N. Z., April 3.—The recent hurricane in the South Pacific Ocean caused great damage to the island of Tahiti. Parts of the island were submerged, and many persons were drowned. On the island of Tonga the hurricane created great havoc. Thirty persons perished there in the storm. San Francisco, April 3.—News of the damage done at Tahiti by the storm caused some excitement among those in this city interested in the islands, but they thought the account of the damage had been exaggerated. The harbor at Papeete is inclosed by a coral reef, which would keep off the waves, and the town is surrounded by a levee four feet high. While the houses are elevated three feet above this. On the more exposed portions of the island the damage might be great.

If the storm had done damage at Tahiti, it must have devastated several other islands further south. American interests at Tahiti represent a capital of \$500,000. Matthew Turner, who has an agency at Tahiti, said he believed the news was true. The islands are thickly populated, and it is possible that thousands of natives were drowned without loss of life occurring at Papeete. He believed that the bark City of Papeete was in the harbor. At present there are four vessels engaged in the Tahiti trade, carrying French mail; they are the Bonanza, City of Papeete, Tropic Bird, and Tahiti. There is also a steamship line between the islands and Auckland, and the news was undoubtedly carried down by steamer.

Berlin, April 3.—In the Reichstag to-day the Naval Secretary referring to the loss of German war-ships in the recent hurricane at Apia, said it was the duty of the country to mitigate the sufferings of the victims of the disaster. Regarding the situation in Samoa, he said that the report of the German officer in command there did not show that the lives or property of Europeans were endangered, and he was sure that the British warship Calliope would have left Samoa if the position had been so serious. He said that the German Government was about to send three cruisers to take the place of the American war-ships that had been lost.

It is rumored that the German man-of-war Olga, which was beached in the recent storm at Apia, has been refloated.

THE FEBRUARY STORM AT SAMOA.

LIEUTENANT HAWLEY DESCRIBES ITS EFFECT ON THE SHIPPING IN APIA HARBOR.

Malden, Mass., April 3.—The following letter, which is of much interest at the present time, was received by Mrs. Hawley to-day from her husband, Lieutenant J. M. Hawley, of the United States steamer Nipigon, wrecked at Samoa:

Apia, Samoa, Feb. 14.—This has been a memorable day for Apia and the shipping in the harbor. The results of the storm were most disastrous. The Nipigon was blown up and her cargo scattered all around. It had been blowing a heavy gale since midnight, and some of the heaviest rain squalls passed over us that I ever experienced. I began early to look out for the Nipigon, and sent down to the yard, where I saw the ship outside leaders and made other necessary preparations to take the ship. About 10 o'clock a heavy squall came, and the Nipigon was blown up and her cargo scattered all around. It had been blowing a heavy gale since midnight, and some of the heaviest rain squalls passed over us that I ever experienced. I began early to look out for the Nipigon, and sent down to the yard, where I saw the ship outside leaders and made other necessary preparations to take the ship. About 10 o'clock a heavy squall came, and the Nipigon was blown up and her cargo scattered all around.

The Nipigon behaved well, and with three anchors down has remained where we put her two weeks ago. The strength of the gale is now over, and we look for fair weather to-morrow. I am glad to get the ship back. It has been a rather anxious day for me, and I have been on deck constantly since 6 this morning. This is a bad harbor for a hurricane, and I hope we may be spared one this season. If the Vandalla is anywhere in this vicinity she will have a very unpleasant experience.

Lieutenant Hawley stated in a previous letter that they expected a hurricane several weeks ago, and they kept steam up on the Nipigon several days, but the storm blew over.

WILL THE TRENTON'S GUNS BE RAISED?

FINE MODERN REEFED GUNS LOST IN THE WRECK—THE NAVAL STATION AT PAGO-PAGO.

Washington, April 3.—The Trenton when wrecked at Pago-Pago carried with her some fine modern reefed guns. These may be readily placed on other vessels or used in the fortification of the naval station at Pago-Pago if they can be recovered. Consequently some curiosity is expressed by naval officers as to whether Admiral Kimberly has taken steps to raise the guns from the shallow harbor.

It is unlikely that the Navy Department will proceed to establish a naval station at the harbor of Pago-Pago on the Samoan Islands until the Berlin Congress appropriates \$100,000 for the purpose, and the money is now available, but it is thought that any radical step at this juncture might tend to embarrass the success of the conference. Besides the 600 tons of coal that were sent out to Samoa on board the Monongahela, and which should be there now, the ship Schom, which sailed from New-York a fortnight ago, carried 2,000 tons. Should make the passage in about thirty-five days.

FORWARDING THE MAIL TO SAMOA.

San Francisco, April 3.—The Navy Pay Office in this city has been ordered by the Washington authorities to forward to Samoa by the steamer Zealandia all mail addressed to the Naval officers at Samoa. The order looks to the belief that Admiral Kimberly and all officers except those who came here in charge of men will remain at Apia.

THE TRIAL OF THE LEAGUE LEADERS.

Peki, April 3.—At the trial of the leaders of the League of Patriots to-day, the Assistant Procurator accused the League of converting itself into an army for the new party, denounced the issue by the League of its manifesto condemning the bombardment of the Alamo expedition at Saragossa by the French Admiral, and declared that the issue was an act of treason.

RACING IN ENGLAND.

London, April 3.—This was the second day of the London and Plymouth Hunt Spring Meeting. The two races for the Ascot Plate, of 450 sovereigns, for three-year-olds, at five furlongs, was won by the Duke of Portland's chestnut filly Nive. Mr. McCalmont's colt Carthagen was second, and Leopold de Rothschild's colt Wayland third. There were no winners in the last betting was 20 to 1 against Nive.

GEN. BOULANGER IN BELGIUM.

A RUMOR THAT HE WILL BE BANISHED FROM FRANCE—A STATEMENT FROM THE GENERAL.

Brussels, April 3.—General Boulanger and M. Arene, a member of the French Chamber of Deputies, arrived at Mons, Belgium, this morning. They were met at the railway station by M. Rochofort. The party then repaired to the Hotel Monarque, where they held a conference.

General Boulanger is staying at the Hotel Menegle in this city. He registered at the hotel under the name of "Bruno." After his conference with M. Rochofort at Mons this morning he returned here. Demonstrations in his honor were made both at Mons and in this city.

The "Independence Belge" warns General Boulanger that his expulsion from Belgium will follow any intrigues on his part against the French Government.

Paris, April 3.—A rumor is current here that the Government is about to issue a decree of banishment against General Boulanger.

General Boulanger has sent out a statement from Brussels to the French press. He says that he will not submit to a trial by the Senate, but that he is willing to be tried before magistrates or a jury. In conclusion General Boulanger says he will await the elections, which will make the Republic inalienable, honest and free.

The National Committee of the Boulanger party announced that General Boulanger departed from France for the advice of the committee. Four members of the committee opposed this step. M. Thiebaut, the principal election organizer of the party, and Deputy Michelin have seceded from the committee as leaving the country. It is reported that M. Suisin, M. Laur and other Boulanger Deputies have adopted a similar course. M. Thiebaut, also retired from the editorship of the "Cochard," the Boulangerist paper. He says he is disgusted with the secrecy maintained by General Boulanger, which tends to mislead the latter's friends. M. Michelin contends Boulanger should have remained and faced even martyrdom.

The Bonapartists approve the General's course, while the Royalists stigmatize his flight as an act of cowardice.

SIR CHARLES RUSSELL'S SPEECH.

PRESENTING THE CASE FOR THE PARALLELISM BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

London, April 3.—When the Parnell Commission met this morning Sir Charles Russell resumed his argument in behalf of the Parnellites. He contended that the objects of the Irish National League were justifiable before God and man. The issue before the Commission depended upon proof that Mr. Parnell and his colleagues, under the cloak of a land movement, had planned murders and outrages. If no such evidence was produced the Commission must declare the accused to be men who were earnestly endeavoring to lift an intolerable burden from the shoulders of their countrymen.

KING JOHN OF ABYSSINIA DEAD.

DEFEATED AND SLAIN IN A BATTLE WITH FORCES OF THE DERVISH METEMMA.

Rome, April 3.—Advices have been received from Massawa to the effect that King John of Abyssinia, who was defeated and slain in a recent battle with the forces led by the Dervish Metemma, and that the whole country is in a state of anarchy. The Italian Cabinets will decide to-morrow whether or not to alter Italy's present course toward Abyssinia.

Emperor John II of Ethiopia was Prince Kashe of Tigre and was crowned in 1873, prince of Ambara, who had proclaimed himself King after the departure of the British army which had been sent to Abyssinia in 1868 to get satisfaction from King Theodore II for his treatment of British subjects. King Theodore killed himself and after the British withdrew anarchy prevailed.

The population of Abyssinia is about 3,000,000. The numerous petty states and provinces, occupied by distinct tribes and races; Tigre, Amhara and Shoa are the largest. The Coptic race predominates in the north, and the Mohammedans in the south. Amhara, Antalo, Masowa, Angolia, Aliva, Amba and Magdala. The Coptic are nominally Christians, but their religion is corrupt. The people are mostly farmers and herdsmen.

THE HUMANITARIAN MINISTRY RESIGNS.

St. Petersburg, April 3.—The Chamber of Deputies to-day the Prime Minister announced that the members of the Ministry had tendered their resignations to the King.

SLOW RETURNS FROM ARKANSAS.

Little Rock, Ark., April 3.—The returns came in slowly from the election to-day. A light vote was polled, but the indications point to the election of Hemmingsway, Hughes and Sanders (Dem.), for Supreme Judges, over Mitchell, Gregg and Hill (Rep.).

ARRESTING NihilISTS IN POLAND.

St. Petersburg, April 3.—An extensive Nihilist printing establishment has been discovered in Warsaw, and many persons connected with it have been arrested.

MORRISON SURROUNDED BY POLICE.

Montreal, Que., April 3.—Morrison, who murdered United States Marshal Warren in the Lake Megantic district, is now surrounded by police and his capture seems to be inevitable. Several of his friends were arrested to-day and will be tried for harboring him.

DEMOCRATS DIVIDED IN MARYLAND.

Baltimore, April 3 (Special).—Senator Gorman gave the leaders of the several factions of the Democratic party a lecture to-day on harmony, and pressed upon them the danger threatening the party in this State. The occasion was the spring meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee. They were told that there must be no factional divisions in the approaching campaign, and that the party must present a solid front, as the Republicans were more numerous and more threatening than ever before. Mr. Gorman expressed confidence in the ability of the party to carry the Legislature and elect a successor to United States Senator Wilson, provided the Democrats elicited the fact that a majority of the party were in favor of the Republican gains of last fall have frightened them considerably. The committee named September 4 as the date for the State convention. Resolutions were adopted showing plainly the feeling in regard to the negro vote. They insinuated that the increase in the vote in the last few years was fraudulent and illegitimate. These resolutions are intended to excite feeling among the colored people and to lead the way to a suppression of the colored vote next fall.

INCORPORATING A MICA MINING COMPANY.

Albany, N. Y., April 3.—The Rio Arriba Mica Mining Company was incorporated to-day with a capital of \$500,000. Operations will be carried on in Rio Arriba, N. M.

THE FINANCIAL UNION TO HAVE A REVERBER.

Valley Forge, Pa., April 3.—The Record to-morrow will say: "The financial union, of New-Jersey, rendered a decision at Trenton yesterday in the matter of the application for the appointment of a receiver for the affairs of the collapsed order of the Financial Union, and announced that he will appoint a receiver next Saturday. This decision is a victory for the members of the order in this city."

RHODE ISLAND BY AN ENCAVED CONVICT.

Providence, R. I., April 3.—The Rhode Island State election at midnight is in doubt. It is conceded, however, that there is no election for anybody on the State ticket except the Attorney-General, and it will not be known which candidate for that office is elected until the returns from this city are received. The tickets are badly scratched, and the result in this city is not expected to be known until 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning. It is expected that Davis (Dem.) has a majority over all in this city of 500 or 600, but that will not be enough to elect him. Returns from twenty-four towns and cities out of thirty-six, and two districts besides, show these figures: Ladd (Rep.), 8,802; Davis (Dem.), 9,185; Richardson (Pro.), 656; Chase (Law Enforcement), 1,709.

RHODE ISLAND IN DOUBT.

NO ELECTION, WITH ONE EXCEPTION, OF STATE NOMINEES.

DAVIS'S VOTE LEADING THE FOUR TICKETS IN THE FIELD—MUCH SCRATCHING DONE—CLOSE VOICE OF THE LEGISLATURE—RE-SUBMISSION CARRIED.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

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The Legislature will stand about as follows: Republicans, 43; Democrats, 37; no election, 26. It is possible that the Democrats have elected their Legislative ticket in this city, in which case their vote on a joint ballot will be 50, and thirteen new elections to be held. Fifty is a majority on a joint ballot. The causes for Democratic success are various. The first is the large increase of Democratic votes under the Bourn amendment; the second is the division in the Republican party on the Prohibition question, and the third is the dissatisfaction among Republicans, resulting in their remaining away from the polls. Although the electorate was considerably enlarged, the Republican vote, added to that of the Law Enforcement party, is not up to last year. The Democrats are accused of paying liberally for votes in Woonsocket, East Greenwich and Johnston. There is no doubt that the new Legislature will vote to send the Prohibition amendment to the people again. The Republicans are still hopeful of carrying the Legislature on a joint ballot and thus electing the State officers.

Late returns make it certain that Sloan (Dem.) has been elected Attorney-General.

Thirty towns out of thirty-six, including all the cities except Providence, give these figures: Davis, 10,994; Ladd, 9,174; Richardson, 893; Chase, 1,852. Davis lacks 1,895 of a majority.

DEMOCRATIC GAINS IN ILLINOIS.

Chicago, April 3.—The returns from yesterday's city election are not all in as yet, but those received show the election of the entire Democratic city ticket by various majorities. That for Cretzer for Mayor, with five precincts missing, is 11,647. There are one or two precincts missing. It is believed that the new Council will stand: Democrats, 28; Republicans, 20.

WOMEN AS VOTERS AND CANDIDATES IN KANSAS.

Leavenworth, Kan., April 3.—The contest for the Mayoralty here lay between D. B. Anthony (Rep.) and L. W. Hacker (Dem.). Susan B. Anthony, sister of the Republican candidate, worked heroically for him, but Hacker was elected by about 2,500 majority. Nearly 4,000 women voted during the day, most of them casting their ballots for Hacker. A man was stabbed at one of the precincts and the woman in another ward became involved in a wordy war.

CHARTER ELECTION AT SCHENECTADY.

Schenectady, N. Y., April 3.—In the charter election yesterday, the Democrats elected their entire city ticket by majorities ranging from 185 to 600, and three of the five aldermen.

HOUSES UNROOFED IN BALTIMORE.

A BRIEF BUT VIOLENT GALE WRECKED BUILDINGS, UPROOTED TREES AND INJURED PEOPLE.

Baltimore, April 3 (Special).—A violent wind-storm passed over this city this afternoon at 5 o'clock. Houses were unroofed and trees uprooted. Several persons were injured. The gale was unexpected. It lasted ten minutes. Women walking on the streets had to cling to awnings and other supports to save themselves from injury. In suburban towns a number of unfinished houses were blown down.

A DESTRUCTIVE WIND STORM IN NEW-JERSEY.

Philadelphia, April 3.—A dispatch to "The Public Ledger" from Bridgeton, N. J., says: "A cyclone moving from the southeast struck the southern portion of this city at about 6 o'clock this evening, doing considerable damage. A new house just finished at the Riverside was leveled to the ground. The roof of the Eastlake Woolen Mills was blown off, a packing-house at Fairtown was completely destroyed, and several large windmills on farms in this vicinity were blown down. Meagre reports from Long Beach, on the Morris River, state that considerable damage was done to oyster beds lying in the harbor, and that the houses and fences were blown down and other damage done."

TRYING TO WRECK A CROWDED TRAIN.

Mansfield, Ohio, April 3.—A British attempt was made to wreck the Pennsylvania limited vestibule passenger train No. 5, at Louisville, near Canton, about 12 o'clock last night. Eight pieces of iron, such as are used to fasten "T" rails together, were tightly wedged into the switch near the little town. An east-bound passenger train passed safely over the obstruction, but an unusual jolting caused the trainmen to be alarmed, and they reported the matter to the operator. He investigated the cause, and stopped the limited before it reached the switch. His efforts to take the train out of the switch by hand proved futile. A fireman had to be sent back to the engine, and with the hammer he procured they were forced out. The train was placed in the switch with the east ends raised, so as to derail a west-bound train, while allowing an east-bound to pass over with only a little jarring. The switch is only sixty feet from a bridge, and the momentum would have thrown the whole train into the creek, and the consequences would have been terrible. The limited train had more passengers than it usually has, the majority of whom were from New-York and Philadelphia, but few of them discovered the reason why the flyer was stopped.

NEW DIRECTORS OF A COAL COMPANY.

Philadelphia, April 3 (Special).—Stockholders of the Clearfield Bituminous Coal Corporation, propose to send down the defaulted 5 per cent mortgage bonds, aggregating \$1,650,000, to one-half that amount, at the same rate of interest. If this proposition shall not be accepted by the creditors, the property probably will be sold under foreclosure.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE WESTMINSTER COAL COMPANY.

The annual meeting of the Westminster Coal Company was held to-day. The following directors were elected: Pemberton S. Hutchinson, Horace Mages, Richard H. Downing, T. Wistar Brown, Alexander Piddie, Charles P. Perot, William D. Winsor, William Cuddeback, George Tucker Bigham, Edmund H. McCord, and Lewis A. Hays.

MR. BOOTH TOO ILL TO PLAY.

LAWRENCE BARRETT, HIS COLLEAGUE, GREATLY ALARMED.

THE PLAY OF "OTHELLO" STOPPED IN THE FIRST ACT AT ROCHESTER—SYMPTOMS OF PARALYSIS—THE PATIENT LAZE IN THE NIGHT APPARENTLY BETTER.

(BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.)

Rochester, N. Y., April 3.—Edwin Booth and Lawrence Barrett, with their company, appeared at the Lyceum in this city this evening. Their engagement was for this performance only and the theatre was full. The box office receipts were the largest of the company's season, amounting to over \$5,000. The play was "Othello." Mr. Barrett appearing as the Moor and Mr. Booth as Iago. In the opening scene Mr. Booth's voice could scarcely be heard and many persons from out of town ascribed this to defects in the acoustic properties of the theatre. Those familiar with the theatre and with Mr. Booth's voice and manner on the stage knew at once that the actor was ill, especially as he was seen several times to raise his hand to his head.

The audience was kept in ignorance of the facts some time longer, however, as Mr. Booth's presence on the stage was not necessary in the second or Senate Chamber scene. It was learned afterward, however, that at the close of the first scene Mr. Booth complained of not feeling well, and a messenger was sent across the street to the office of Dr. C. R. Sumner. The physician reached the actor's room just as the curtain was rung up for the second scene, and Mr. Barrett and the other members of the company were forced to go upon the stage in ignorance of what might be the result of the doctor's examination. They did not betray the agitation which they must have felt, but at the close of the scene Mr. Barrett hastened to the dressing-room of Mr. Booth, where he was informed by Dr. Sumner that the symptoms were those of paralysis. Mr. Barrett was overwhelmed by the bad news, and it was with the greatest difficulty that he could sufficiently command himself to acquiesce the audience with his front. He walked to the centre of the stage in front of the curtain, where, in a voice trembling with emotion, he said:

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am called upon to perform the most painful duty of my life. My colleague has shown symptoms of breaking down for some or four days past, and his condition is so serious that it is impossible for him to act. We had hoped that he would rally from this attack and that he would be able to play his part to-night, but one of your physicians, Dr. Sumner, says that it would be perilous for him to attempt it. Mr. Booth has sustained a partial stroke of paralysis and we fear that this is the beginning of the end. I cannot express to you the deep sorrow with which I make this announcement. The world has probably heard for the last time the greatest actor who speaks the English language. We shall, of course, cancel all engagements, and I hope that we shall be able to remove Mr. Booth to his home. It pains me to speak these words. I am sorry to disappoint you, but his condition is so serious that it is impossible for him to act. 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